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#### Meetings this week:

Planning Board, April 28, 7 p.m.

The Planning Board will hold a regular meeting on Wednesday, April 28, 2015, at 7 p.m. in Council

Friday, April 24, 2015



Dover Pride Clean Up Day

#### Dover Pride Clean Up Day is May 9

One of Dover Main Street's flagship activities, Dover Pride Clean Up Day, will be held on Saturday, May 9, beginning at 8 a.m. and concluding by noon.

The Dover Pride Clean Up event starts with a pancake breakfast served by the Kiwanis Club at 8 a.m. in the Mill Courtyard, 421 Central Ave. From there, hundreds of volunteers, with help from the City's of Dover's Community Services Department, will rake, prune, sweep, mulch, weed, paint and plant their way through multiple sites in the downtown area. Wentworth Greenhouses donates plants for the planters in the downtown core, which volunteers will help install. The event finishes with a pizza lunch back at the Mill Courtyard sponsored by Kendall Pond Pizza.

Clean Up Day is an opportunity for community members to

Chambers, at City Hall.

To view the agenda, <u>click</u> <u>here</u>.

City Council, April 29, 7 p.m.

The City Council will hold a workshop session on Wednesday, April 29, 2015, at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers at City Hall.

To view the agenda, <u>click</u> <u>here</u>.

To view televised meetings online, on demand, visit <a href="https://www.dover.nh.gov/dntv">www.dover.nh.gov/dntv</a>.

For a complete list of upcoming meetings visit the meeting calendar page.

give a few hours of time by contributing some sweat equity to make Dover look its best for the coming tourist season. This civic volunteer effort is an important aspect to help keep the downtown area clean and beautiful throughout the spring and summer, and also provides cost savings to the City of Dover.

As always, community volunteers are the key to the success of the project. Individuals, groups, or families can spend just an hour, or come for the entire morning. Locations will be set up by Dover Main Street. Groups or organizations wishing to volunteer for a specific site should can register here.

All participants should bring home gardening supplies, if available, including gloves, brooms, rakes, and other gardening hand tools they may have from home. Other supplies are available on site at the mill courtyard and at the clean-up locations.

This year's Dover Pride Clean Up Day is sponsored by The Kiwanis Club of Dover, Kendall Pond Pizza and Wentworth Greenhouses.



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Recycling Center hours: Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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# Police recognize DARE graduates at middle school ceremony

The annual culmination ceremony for the Dover Police Department's Dover Middle School DARE program took place on Friday, April 3, 2015 inside the Dover Middle School gymnasium. At the event, 312 fifth grade students celebrated the completion of the DARE curriculum which lasts 13 weeks.

In addition to the graduates, teachers, other school staff, and approximately 100 parents, some state, city and school



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officials were also in attendance. These included State Sen. David Watters, Mayor Karen Weston, Police Chief Anthony F. Colarusso, Jr., Dover City Councilor Anthony McManus, Dover School Board Chair Amanda Russell, and Dover School Board Vice Chair Betsey Andrews Parker. Also present were the department's three DARE instructors, Detective Matt Travaglini, Dana Mitchell, and Officer Jason Feliciano.

Prior to the graduation ceremony, the Dover Police Department's Youth to Youth program recognized State Sen. David Watters for his long-standing support of substance abuse prevention efforts. The award, which was presented to him by Chief Colarusso, was the Community Service in Drug Prevention Award "for tireless legislative efforts to champion action, resources and solutions needed to respond to substance abuse, including legislation to protect kids from exposure to second hand smoke in cars." Senator Watters and Chief Colarusso both addressed the graduates.

As part of the DARE program, each student is asked to write a letter to a fictitious friend who has moved away and has recently begun to use alcohol or tobacco. The goal is to see what the students would write to that friend to help them make better choices. The winning essays were written by Kyla Woolley and Finn Mattingly and they both read their award essays to the large crowd. The graduates were then presented with their certificates and their Drug Free IDs. The Drug Free IDs allow the students to get discounts at several participating businesses in the area.





# First Street work to close road to traffic April 27 to May 1

Between Monday, April 27, and Friday, May 1, First Street will close from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. for pavement excavation and replacement. Any vehicle remaining on the street during this time will be towed.

First Street parking permit holders are asked to move vehicles in advance to any of the following locations: Second Street, Chapel Street, the Transportation Center or Third Street parking lots. The First Street parking permit will be valid in these locations for the duration of the road closure.

Traffic will be allowed on First Street after 5 p.m. each day.

First Street residents with off-street parking are being notified individually about accommodations for their vehicles during the week.

For more information, contact Police Sgt. Marn Speidel at 742-4646 or m.speidel@dover.nh.gov.

#### Silver Street traffic one-way

Silver Street (NH Route 9) will be a one-way street, inbound (easterly) only, from the intersection with Arch Street and Towle Avenue to the intersection with Central Avenue (NH Route 108). This pattern will be in effect at all times of the day, every day, through at least the end of September.

The suggested detour route for passenger cars from downtown will be via Washington Street to Arch Street. The intersection of Washington/Arch Streets will be converted to a three-way stop during this project in order to help safely process the extra traffic. The secondary detour (truck route) will be via Central Avenue to the Spaulding Turnpike.

For more information, visit the Silver Street Reconstruction Project page <u>here</u> or contact Community Services at 516-6450.

# Exit 5 northbound ramps closed for Spaulding Turnpike construction

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation has closed the Exit 5 northbound ramps on the Spaulding Turnpike in Dover for several months. Portable concrete barriers will be used at Exit 5 to close off the existing on and off ramps. The Exit 5 ramps will reopen later this summer.

A northbound traffic shift will allow for the construction of the new northbound tie-in from the Little Bay Bridge to the existing northbound lanes north of Exit 5. The Exit 5 ramps will be reconstructed to match the new alignment.

Motorists needing to access Wentworth Terrace and Hilton Park will be directed northbound to Exit 6W, and to a detour back to Boston Harbor Road and under the new Little Bay Bridge to get from the west side to the east side of the Turnpike. Southbound traffic needing to access Wentworth Terrace and Hilton Park, will be able to use Exit 6S and proceed to the signals at US Route 4/Boston Harbor Road.

Detour signs will be erected to show the new traffic pattern. Fire, emergency vehicles and school buses will need to use the detour. Boaters wishing to launch at Hilton Park should also take notice of this planned ramp closure and detour.

For more information, contact NHDOT at 603-271-3734.



# Stay up to date on proposed budget at City's online resource

Each year, City Manager J. Michael Joyal Jr., presents a proposed budget to the City Council, followed by a series of public hearings, workshops and special meetings. The City Council adopts a final budget in June.

The fiscal year 2016 budget was presented to the City Council on Wednesday, March 25, 2015 during a City Council meeting in Council Chambers at City Hall. This presentation was followed by two budget workshops and public hearing on the school portion of the budget. A public hearing on the City portion of the budget will be held on

Wednesday, April 22, at 7 p.m. in Council Chambers at City Hall.

A digital copy of the budget can be <u>viewed here</u>.

In addition to the City Council presentations, there are additional ways to stay informed and learn more about the budget process.

The City provides a newsletter devoted to the budget process. This newsletter includes more detailed information about the proposed budget, a look at the budget process, a review of budget presentations and meetings with the City Council, and more. The newsletter, Budget Revealed, can be added to your current list of City of Dover newsletters by clicking here and adding your email address.

The City also maintains a Budget Revealed resource on the City's website. These pages include updated information on the current and previous fiscal year budgets. Budget Revealed <u>can be found here</u>.



# Joe B. Parks public gardens seeks volunteer gardeners

The Joe B. Parks Riverwalk Public Gardens depends on volunteers to help maintain and tend to the gardens enjoyed by the public each year. More volunteers are needed to help tend to the gardens.

To become a volunteer, visit http://joeparksgarden.org/ for more information.

The Joe B. Parks Riverwalk Public Gardens is located between 400 Central Avenue and Chestnut Street, along the banks of the Cocheco River, and forms a series of beautiful gardens filled with wild flowers, unique rhododendrons, mountain laurel, hostas, daylilies and countless other plants, many relocated from Joe Parks' own gardens. Formerly a neglected area along the river, the Riverwalk Garden was planned by Dover horticulturalist Joe B. Parks, built by more than hundred volunteers, and dedicated in June, 2008. Joe was extremely proud of the fact that all of the work at the Riverwalk Garden was done by volunteers. The garden features a Japanese Garden installed and maintained by Dover High School horticulture students, Lorraine's Corner, a meditation and healing garden installed and maintained by Amy's Treat and dedicated in memory of Dover resident Lorraine Goren and

several sculptures created and installed in the garden by art students from Dover High School. Each garden is maintained by a volunteer garden tender.

#### Deadline to renew dog licenses is April 30

Dog licenses for 2015 are now available. All dogs must be licensed by April 30 to avoid a late fee. The cost for a male or female dog is \$10, a neutered male or spayed female dog is \$7.50 and puppies (3-7 months) are \$7.50 for first licensing.

Residents 65 years of age or older may license one dog for \$3. Additional licenses require regular fees.

The City Clerk's office requires proof of rabies information and a certificate of spaying or neutering.

Late fees of \$1 a month begin June 1.

Dog licenses can be renewed at the City Clerk's office at City Hall, by mail or online.

In addition to online licensing, rabies information can also be updated online and the certificate mailed to the City Clerk's office. A checking account or credit card is required for online dog license registration. To ensure privacy, dog owners must provide the dog's tag number.

To renew online, click here.

For more information, contact the City Clerk's office at 516-6018.

### Councilor Cheney to host 'Citizens Connect' session May 7

Ward 5 Dover City Councilor and State Rep. Catherine Cheney will host a "Citizens Connect" session on Thursday, May 7, 2015, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Riverside Rest Home, 276 County Farm Road.

The session is open to anyone who wishes to discuss topics of interest with the Dover councilor and state representative, or simply listen.

Light refreshments will be available.

For more information, contact Cheney at 603-740-4697 or

# Councilor Thibodeaux hosts 'Coffee with the Councilor' on Saturday

Ward 3 City Councilor will host her twice-monthly "Coffee with the Councilor" session at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 25, at the Live Free Caffe, 42A Dover Point Road.

The session is open to anyone who wishes to discuss topics of interest with the Dover councilor.

Councilor Thibodeaux holds "Coffee with the Councilor" sessions the second and fourth Saturday of each month, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

For more information, contact Councilor Thibodeaux at <a href="mailto:d.thibodeaux@dover.nh.gov">d.thibodeaux@dover.nh.gov</a>.

# Dover Public Library announces upcoming movie screenings

The Dover Public Library has announced its Saturday matinee schedule for mid-April through May. Free movies start at 2 p.m. in the library's Lecture Hall. Everyone is welcome.

- April 25: "The Hobbit: the Battle of the Five" (PG13; 2 hrs. 24 min.)
- May 2: "Song of the Sea" (PG; 1 hr. 33 min.)
- May 9: "Yellowbird" (PG; 1 hr. 30 min.)
- May 16: "Interstellar" (PG13; 2 hrs. 49 min.)
- May 23: "Strange Magic" (PG; 1 hr. 33 min.) May 30: "Seventh Son" (PG13; 1 hr. 42 min.)

In addition, the library has an evening movie series on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. On May 13, the adventure thriller "Black Sea" will be shown. (Rated R; 1 hr. 54 min.). And during school vacation week, there will be a special matinee showing of "The Boxtrolls" on Monday, April 27 at 2 p.m. (PG, 1 hr. 13 min.).

For more information, please call the library at 603-516-6050 or view the Calendar of Events at <a href="http://library.dover.nh.gov">http://library.dover.nh.gov</a>.



### Woodman Museum to unveil art gallery at open house event

New Hampshire's newest professional fine art gallery, located in a beautifully preserved Victorian Era home at 15 Summer St. in Dover, will host a celebratory Open House on Sunday, April 26, from noon to 3 p.m.. The public is cordially invited, and refreshments will be served.

The Keefe House Gallery will also unveil its inaugural exhibit on April 26 - Voices from New England: Six Fine Artists Have Their Say - featuring works by Dover painter Tom Glover, Dover photographer Tom Lavoie, Rochester painter Sherry Palmer, Portsmouth fiber artist Diane Stradling, West Falmouth, Maine, jewelry maker and encaustic artist Anne Strout, and Deerfield ceramic artist Don Williams.

The Keefe House Gallery will be open to the public, free of charge, from Sunday, April 26, through Sunday, June 28, during regular Woodman Museum hours.

Both the Inaugural Exhibit and the Open House arey unwritten by Dermatology and Skin Health on Central Avenue in Dover.

Voices from New England is also doubling as a fundraising event to support the Woodman Museum, which was founded in 1916 and continues to offer many fine exhibits and special events for visitors from across New England, around the country and overseas. As a part of the fundraiser, Keefe House at The Woodman will raffle off an elegant, professionally framed artwork - Eagle with Spread Wings - painted by well-known Dover artist Tom Glover. Raffle tickets will be available for purchase during the entire run of the exhibit, and the winner will be announced shortly

after the end of the exhibit on June 28.

Dover historian and photographer Thom Hindle, who has been deeply involved in the Woodman Museum for more than 30 years and serves as the official Museum Curator, has great hopes for the future of both the Woodman Museum and the Keefe House Gallery.

Hindle is pleased to have added a professional art gallery to Keefe House, and is especially proud of its colorful history.

"Keefe House was built in 1825 for Dover pharmacist Asa Tufts," Hindle said. "Eventually it became the home of two-term mayor F. Clyde Keefe, then remained in the Keefe family for three generations before being purchased by the Woodman Museum. Now, after an extensive interior renovation, the second floor of Keefe House is the repository for primary source documents, with the Keefe House Gallery in three stately, beautifully appointed rooms on the first floor. We're looking forward to welcoming visitors to both the Woodman Museum and the Keefe House Gallery, throughout the summer and beyond."

The Woodman Museum is open Wednesdays through Sundays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information about the Sunday, April 26 Open House, the purchase of raffle tickets, and Keefe House Gallery's Inaugural Exhibit, Voices from New England, call 603-742-1038 or send an email to Ross Bachelder, the Exhibit Curator, at <a href="mailto:artsmultiple@gmail.com">artsmultiple@gmail.com</a>.

#### CITY OF DOVER SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

# Stay informed with City of Dover special announcements

Want up-to-date information about road work, emergencies, special projects, and other important information? <u>Sign up now</u> to receive special announcements via email.

In addition to Dover Download, the City of Dover offers a variety of e-mail updates, including emergency and road closure information, Police Facility and Parking Garage updates, Silver Street reconstruction news, news from the Public Library, waterfront development, and more.

To sign up for one or all of the City's updates, <u>click here</u>. An e-mail address is required to access the special announcement mailing lists.

#### DID YOU KNOW?



The following events are recorded in "Notable Events in the History of Dover, New Hampshire: From the First Settlement in 1623 to 1865," by George Wadleigh, "Historic Rambles About Dover," by Robert A. Whitehouse, "Port of Dover: Two Centuries of Shipping on the Cochecho" by Robert A. Whitehouse and Cathleen C. Beaudoin, and several other historical sources.

For more on the history of Dover, settled in 1623 and the oldest permanent settlement in New Hampshire and seventh oldest in the country, visit the Dover Public Library, Locust Street; and the Woodman Institute Museum, Central Avenue. The Public Library also maintains an online collection of historical information, located at <a href="http://www.dover.lib.nh.us/DoverHistory/cityof.htm">http://www.dover.lib.nh.us/DoverHistory/cityof.htm</a>.



**April 27, 1696** - Capt. Tuttle's account for subsistence of soldiers at Cochecho and Dover: 16 pounts and 6 shillings; and Capt. Woodman's account for similar services at Oyster River, 51 pounds and 5 shillings, were ordered by the Council to be paid.



**April 27, 1706** - The Indians came in upon the south part of Oyster River (then in Dover), by the Little Bay, and killed ten persons, the chief whereof were brother John Wheeler and his wife, John Drew, and others. It is thought this was done by the Indian Bombazeer. According to Jeremy Belknap, "The garrison was near, but not a man in it: the women, however, seeing nothing but death before them, fired an alarm, and then putting on hats, and loosening their hair that they might appear like men, they fired so briskly that the enemy apprehending that the people were alarmed, fled without burning or even plundering the house which they had attacked. John Wheeler, meeting this party and mistaking them for friendly Indians, unhappily fell into their hands and was killed with his wife and two children. Four of his sons took refuge in a cave by the back of the Little Bay, and though pursued by the Indians, escaped unhurt."



**April 25, 1729** - The inhabitants of the north east of Dover (now Somersworth), petitioned the Assembly to be set off as a parish for the benefit of the ministry.



**April 30, 1731** - By a vote of the town, one and a half acres

of land at Pine Hill, near the meeting house, were set apart as a public burying ground.



**April 28, 1825** - The Methodist meeting house, the first one of this denomination built in town, was dedicated this day.

#### MUNICIPAL MATTERS

#### Time to register your vehicle? Save time, register online

Did you know you can save yourself time and a trip to City Hall by registering your vehicle online?

Online vehicle registration renewal is easy, safe and secure. You can register online by providing a PIN number or your license plate number. Your PIN number is provided by the City of Dover and can be found on your renewal notice.

For your convenience, you can now pay for motor vehicle registration by credit card.

For more information on the E-registration process, <u>click</u> here.

### Missed the meeting? Catch it again online

Don't forget: If you missed the live City Council, School Board or Planning Board on Channels 22 and 95, you can catch it again, online and on demand.

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#### COMMUNITY CALENDAR

# Dover Chamber kicks off annual sweepstakes and auction

It's time to "Paint the Town Red" at the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce's Sweepstakes and Auction.

This annual event, underwritten by Federal Savings Bank, features a delicious dinner, cash bar, door prizes, games and activities, silent and live auctions and ten cash prizes with one lucky attendee going home with \$10,000 cash.

Only 250 tickets are sold for this exclusive event, giving attendees 25:1 odds of going home a cash winner.

Purchase tickets in advance, as the event is guaranteed to sell out.

"Sweeps" is a fundraiser for the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce, with proceeds benefiting Chamber community events including Apple Harvest Day, the Cochecho Arts Festival, Citizens' Leadership Academy, and more.

For more information, visit the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce website here.



Want to stay up to speed on exciting events and activities in Dover? Sign up for the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce's weekly newsletter, Peek at the Week, for up-to-date information on what's happening in Dover.

Whether it's the schedule for the Cochecho Arts Festival, art exhibits or where to shop for local products, sign up for Peek at the Week, and you'll be ready for the week ahead.

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